

Minutes for KSC Annual Meeting
May 6, 2009 from 7:20 pm-8:42 pm at Klamath County Museum

27 people in attendance:

Members: Allan & Leslie Lowe, John & Peggy Federhart, Nabil Taha, Ralph Opp, Juanita Hodges, Art Martin, Ronda Norris, Dwight & Paula Long; Jerry Brown; Andy Cooke; Lise Kastigar; Lee Harrington; Linda Riley; Dennis Taugher; Eric & Alison Andrews, Carrie Wittmer,
Guests: Toby Freeman (guest speaker); Iman Taha, Mark & Beckie Angulo, Roz & Rick Walsh; Anita Zellar

A wonderful dinner was catered by Day Water Café/Nightfire and the opportunity to socialize was enjoyed from 6:15 – 7:20 pm. (Time allowed for dessert orders.)

- A) Meeting started at 7:20 pm. Introductions were made, and the proposed budget for 2009/2010 was discussed by Leslie and adopted by the members present.
- B) Minutes for the January 12, 2009 meeting were approved.
- C) Membership dues were collected by Dwight to determine voting members present.
- D) The following members were presented and unanimously elected for the 2009/2010 officer's slate: Alison Andrews, Andy Cooke, Rick Walsh, Juanita Hodges, Dwight Long, Leslie Lowe, Allan Lowe, Art Martin, Ronda Norris, and Ralph Opp.
- E) Treasurer's Report: Dwight reported that we have a current balance of \$3164.91.
- F) Revised bylaws from February 2009 were discussed and adopted unanimously.
- G) Toby Freeman gave his "guest speaker" talk regarding Pacific Power's Blue Sky program. After polling the attendees, Toby realized he was "preaching to the choir", since most of us are signed up for the Blue Sky option. Nevertheless, Toby discussed in great detail, what a customer was really getting when he/she signed up for "Blue Sky" on their power bill. The misconception most customers seem to have is that by signing up for this program, somehow the electrons coming to their home would come from a sustainable source only (wind, solar, hydro, etc.). This is not the case. Signing up for this program really provides monies to support wind farms, solar array projects, etc. throughout the northwest, "for the good of the northwest", but not necessarily to you, the customer, directly. For more info, go to <http://www.pacificpower.net/Article/Article74139.html>
- H) Agenda item: The plastic bag committee chair, Dennis, stated that nothing significant had changed with regard to plastic bag programs in the schools.
- I) Agenda item: Discussion about Chamber of Commerce ad for \$150, which includes video production for our website. This will be discussed further at the first Board Meeting on May 22, 2009.
- J) Agenda item: Green Welcome Wagon website update: Not yet public, but available to all KSC members now. More work is still needed.
- K) Agenda item: Food Networking Committee update: Rick Walsh talked about Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) that he operates locally. He is planting more stuff, including strawberries, to add to the weekly boxes. The boxes still have a preponderance of "greens", and switching has to happen among participants since all boxes must receive an equal share.

- L) Agenda item: Recycling coloring book for third graders. A copy was passed around for all to review. Andy was praised for his artwork in the production.
- M) A discussion was held regarding the completion of a composting agreement between OIT and Waste Management and Rick Walsh's business. All local green waste will go to a location at Dillinger and Hill Road for creation of compost. Transportation of the green waste will be done by Waste Mgmt. Everyone who has green waste is invited to call Rick (891-1076) and schedule a time to drop off their yard waste to add to the compost pile Rick is building.
- N) A reminder was made that a KSC composting demonstration site is at Mountain Valley Gardens on Washburn way, south of Wal-Mart.
- O) Children with winning entries in the KSC Recycling Program for the schools using our "Love the Earth" family check off form will receive awards from Eco-Mart, Nightfire Natural Foods, and Mountain Valley Gardens, plus certificates to Fred Meyer's.
- P) **Meeting Adjourned at 8:42 pm.**

THE NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 409 PINE FROM 11:45 AM to 1:15 PM ON FRIDAY, MAY 22. FUTURE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS WILL BE MADE VIA EMAIL, OUR WEBSITE, OR THE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER.

[Remember to let Dwight (oh_otter@charter.net) know if you don't need a printed/mailed newsletter, so that we can save printing and postage costs.]